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**Transmittal of Utility Patent Application**  
**for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

Box Patent Application  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application by inventors: Sharat Singh, Edwin F. Ullman, and Bertram I. Rowland, and entitled:

**TAG CLEAVAGE FOR DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS**

1. Enclosed are:

- ☒ This Transmittal letter.
- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO date stamp.
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-19
  - ☐ \_\_\_ Sheets of drawings.
- ☒ Declaration of inventorship (unsigned)

2. U.S. Priority

- ☒ This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/217,624 filed July 11, 2000.
- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

3. Foreign Priority


- ☐ Priority of Application No. filed in on is claimed under 35 USC §119.
- ☐ A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

☒ This application and prior application Serial No. 60/217,624 filed July 11, 2000 are assigned of record to Aclara BioSciences, Inc., as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 011200 and Frame 0433 on October 19, 2000.

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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27
- ☒ A check for \$355.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account 04-0531.

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